

# WEEKLY PROGRESS REPORT LOWER PASSAIC RIVER DREDGE PROJECT February 3, 2014 THROUGH February 9, 2014

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# 1. H&S/Environmental

- a. GLDD reported that injured worker is recovering at home. Receiving physical therapy
- b. No injuries or OSHA recordable incidents reported this period

#### 2. Subcontract Status

a. Subcontractors: Great Lakes Dredge and Dock

## 3. Administrative/Regulatory

a. Refer to Issues and Actions section

# 4. GLDD - Capping

- a. Due to continued subfreezing temperatures, conditions on the river did not improve and as such there was no activity on the river this week
- b. GLDD issued a revised schedule on Friday which indicated that a return to the river would not occur until Monday, 02/17. This decision was based on the weather forecast and the ice which has formed on the river. GLDD will monitor conditions daily and a return could occur sooner if conditions improve.
- c. Initial activity will be to transport the barge with the sinking bar assembly from Staten Island to RM 10.9 followed by 2 days of set-up. Placement of geotextile and armor stone scheduled to start on Thursday, 02/20.

# 5. Issues and Actions

- a. EPA (and CDM) reviewed the revised the capping work plan and had no comments to the plan itself.
- b. EPA requested that the thickness of the reactive layer be verified prior to placement of geotextile and armor stone.
- c. Impacts to the schedule due to subfreezing temperatures. Ice has developed on the river limiting access and creating unsafe working conditions as well impacting the mechanical operation of the bridges.

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#### 6. Two Week Look Ahead

- a. The return to capping activities is dependent on improving weather conditions
- b. Transport barge with sinking bar assembly to RM 10.9 from Staten Island
- c. Complete set-up of barges/equipment to support geotextile and armor stone placement
- d. Resume placement of geotextile and armor stone using alternate technique developed by GLDD in revised capping Plan
- e. Continue transporting armor stone to RM 10.9 area as necessary to support placement operation
- f. Resume real time turbidity monitoring